Dr. B. S. Mallayya :—" May I know whether the Government does not think it is its duty to protect the rights of its subjects when unjustly interfered with by a neighbouring Native State ? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur M. Krishnan Nayar :—" When the question arises, the Government will consider it."

Dr. B. S. Mallayya :—" The question has arisen now, Sir."

Mr. G. Harisarvottama Rao :—" May I know whether the Government will enquire as to what offence Mr. Paisley committed in His Exalted Highness the Nizam's Dominions to deserve externment, and examine the question of debarring of this gentleman from that point of view ? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur M. Krishnan Nayar :—" That is exactly what I said on more than one occasion, namely, that it would be discourteous to a foreign Government to ask them to give the reasons for their action."

Dr. B. S. Mallayya :—" May I know, Sir, whether discourtesy is greater than depriving the rights of a British subject, and whether they believe . . ."

The hon. the President :—" That is arguing."

Mr. S. Satyamurti :—" May I ask, Sir, if it is the policy of the Government that no one should be appointed as an honorary magistrate who is externed from an Indian State ? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur M. Krishnan Nayar :—" The question of policy has not arisen."

Mr. K. R. Karant :—" May I ask, Sir, whether the Government will be pleased to call for the information in clauses (g) and (h) as to whether after all it is not a private complaint which has led to all this ? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur M. Krishnan Nayar :—" I do not think it is necessary, Sir."

Reasons for the withdrawal of Mr. Paisley's powers

*1892 Q.—Dr. B. S. Mallayya : Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state whether the reasons for the withdrawal of the power of Mr. Paisley as an Honorary Magistrate were based on circumstances antecedent or subsequent to the appointment as Honorary Presidency Magistrate ; and whether they were known to the Select Committee for Honorary Magistrates or to the Government before his appointment as Honorary Magistrate ?

A.—The attention of the hon. Member is invited to the answer given to question No. 1891. The fact that Mr. Paisley had been externed from His Exalted Highness the Nizam's Dominions was not known to the Government when he was appointed Honorary Presidency Magistrate.

Dr. B. S. Mallayya :—" Are the Government aware that Mr. Paisley criticised His Exallted Highness the Nizam's Government from Madras in 1921, and for that criticism the Government passed a serious order externing those who criticised them ? And is it a crime sufficiently serious to

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deprive this man selected by a committee consisting of responsible officers of this Government to hold that office for three years, and now to say that he was externed and owing to that circumstance . . . "

* The hon. the PRESIDENT :—" The hon. Member instead of putting a supplementary question is making a speech. The hon. Member will kindly resume his seat and carefully shape his supplementary question."

Mr. G. HARISARVOTTAMA RAO :—" May I know, Sir, from the hon. the Law Member whether he has enquired into the fact whether Mr. Paisley ever lived in the Nizam's Dominions, and if he did, how long ? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur M. KRISHNAN NAYAR :—" No, Sir."

Mr. A. KALESWARA RAO :—" May I know what externment from a Native State has to do with debarring him from being an honorary magistrate ? "

The hon Diwan Bahadur M. KRISHNAN NAYAR :—" Because the Government thought that a person of that political complexion should not be an honorary magistrate."

Mr. K. KOTI REDDI :—" May I know if the Nizam's Government have written to this Government about this gentleman ? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur M. KRISHNAN NAYAR :—" No, Sir."

Mr. K. KOTI REDDI :—" May I know what it is that prompted this Government having waited for three years after allowing him to work as an honorary magistrate to deprive him of his powers ? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur M. KRISHNAN NAYAR :—" It is only now that this fact has come to the notice of this Government."

Mr. S. SATYAMURTI :—" May I know, Sir, what is the political complexion that will satisfy my hon. Friend before he thinks he can appoint persons to Honorary Magistrates places ? Are they to be loyal to the 300 and odd of potentates in these Indian States ? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur M. KRISHNAN NAYAR :—" I refuse to answer such a question."

Externment of Mr. Paisley by His Exalted Highness the Nizam.

* 1893 Q.—Dr. B. S. MALLAYYA : Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state whether the externment of Mr. Paisley by His Exalted Highness the Nizam passed more than seven years ago was utilized as an ostensible justification for the withdrawal of the powers conferred on Mr. Paisley ?

A.—The attention of the hon. Member is invited to the answer given to question No. 1891.

Dr. B. S. MALLAYYA :—" Will the Government take steps to see that this withdrawal is restored again, to do justice to a British-born subject ? "

The hon. Diwan Bahadur M. KRISHNAN NAYAR :—" No, Sir."

Mr. J. A. SALDANHA :—" Is it not a fact that there were certain persons who have been exiled or externed from the Nizam's Dominions and yet they have been appointed to the highest posts and given titles by the British Government ? "